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# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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# Executive Summary

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- In this report data from SpaceX was used to predict whether a future launch would be successful based on its cargo mass, launch site and other factors.
- Data was collected using SpaceX API and scrapped from public records

# Introduction

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- The purpose of the analysis is to predict if the Falcon 9 first stage will land successfully. The main selling point of SpaceX is that they can reuse the first stage saving millions per launch. Therefore if we can determine if the first stage will land, we can determine the cost of a launch.



Very Expensive



Also very  
expensive... but a  
few million are  
saved



Section 1

# Methodology

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## Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
  - Data was collected using SpaceX API and extracted from public records of Falcon9 Launches
- Perform data wrangling
  - Data was classified into successes and failures according to outcome
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models

# Data Collection

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Collection was done in 2 steps, first using SpaceX's API and then web scrapping from Wikipedia to add more data. When data was complete it was pre-processed to allow for further study.

Sources:

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# API dataframe

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FlightNumber	Date	BoosterVersion	PayloadMass	Orbit	LaunchSite	Outcome	Flights
1	2010-06-04	Falcon 9	NaN	LEO	CCSFS SLC 40	None None	1
2	2012-05-22	Falcon 9	525.0	LEO	CCSFS SLC 40	None None	1
3	2013-03-01	Falcon 9	677.0	ISS	CCSFS SLC 40	None None	1
4	2013-09-29	Falcon 9	500.0	PO	VAFB SLC 4E	False Ocean	1
5	2013-12-03	Falcon 9	3170.0	GTO	CCSFS SLC 40	None None	1

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False	False	False	None	1.0	0	B1003	-120.610829	34.632093
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# Scrapped data

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Flight No.	Launch site	Payload	Payload mass	Orbit	Customer	Launch outcome	Version Booster	Booster landing	Date	Time
7	CCAFS	SES-8	3,170 kg	GTO	SES	Success	F9 v1.1	No attempt	3 December 2013	22:41
8	CCAFS	Thaicom 6	3,325 kg	GTO	Thaicom	Success	F9 v1.1	No attempt	6 January 2014	22:06
9	Cape Canaveral	SpaceX CRS-3	2,296 kg	LEO	NASA	Success\n	F9 v1.1	Controlled	18 April 2014	19:25
10	Cape Canaveral	Orbcomm-OG2	1,316 kg	LEO	Orbcomm	Success	F9 v1.1	Controlled	14 July 2014	15:15

# Data Wrangling

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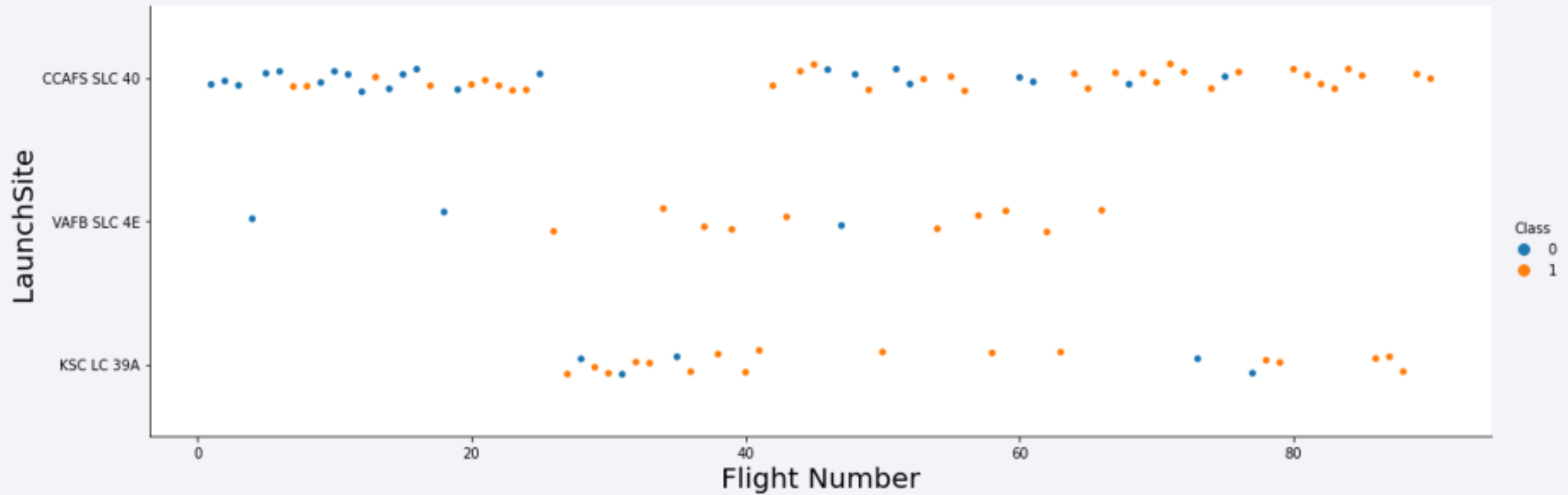
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7	2014-04-18	Falcon 9	2296.0	ISS	CCAFS SLC 40	True Ocean	1	False
8	2014-07-14	Falcon 9	1316.0	LEO	CCAFS SLC 40	True Ocean	1	False



Reused	Legs	LandingPad	Block	ReusedCount	Serial	Longitude	Latitude	Class
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# EDA with Data Visualization

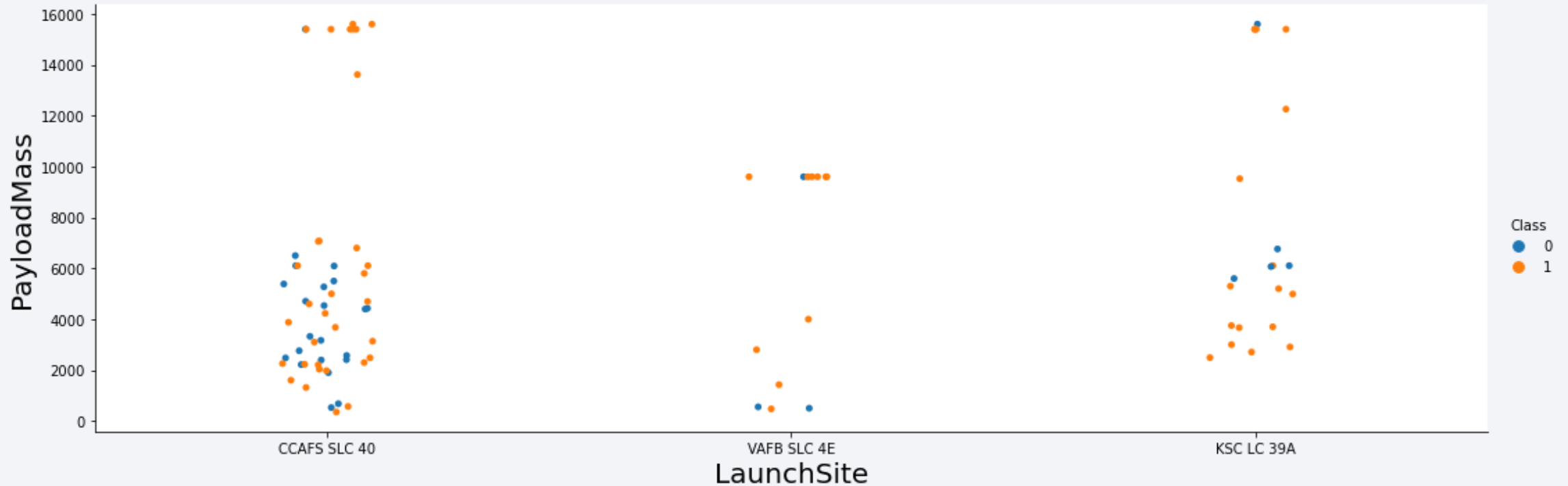
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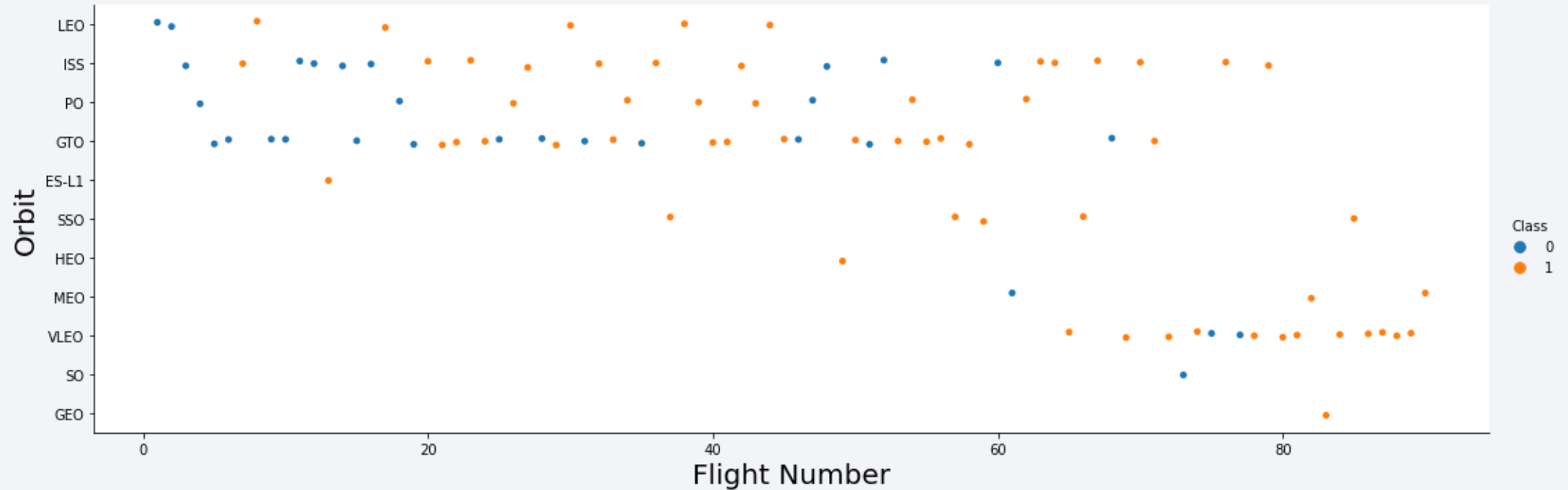
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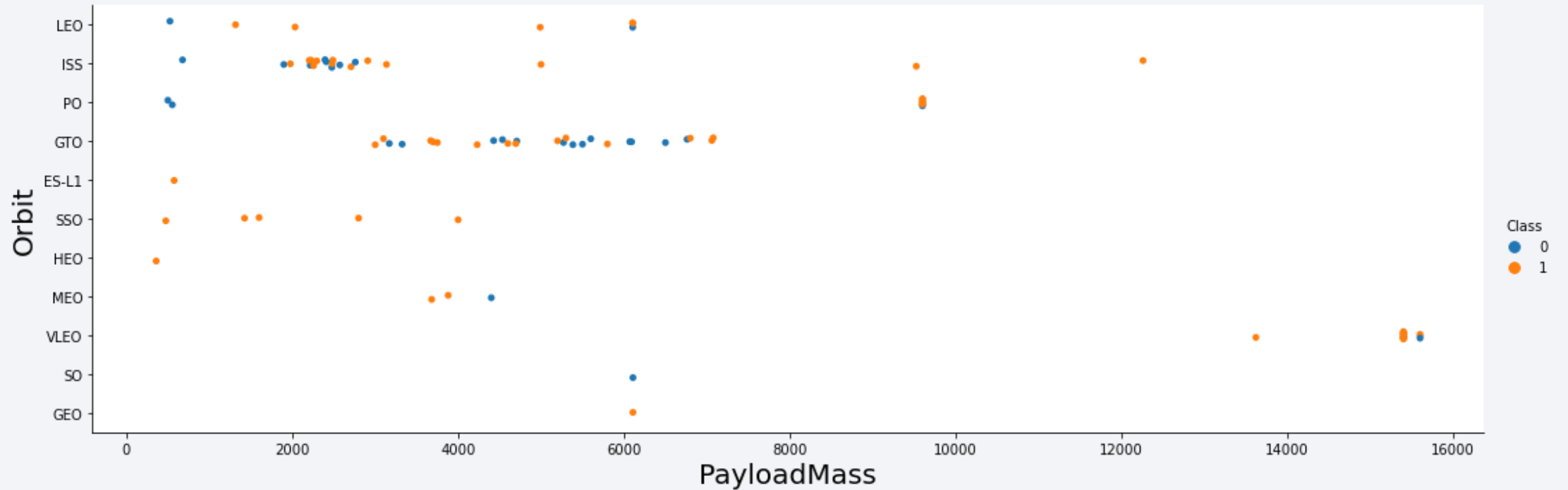
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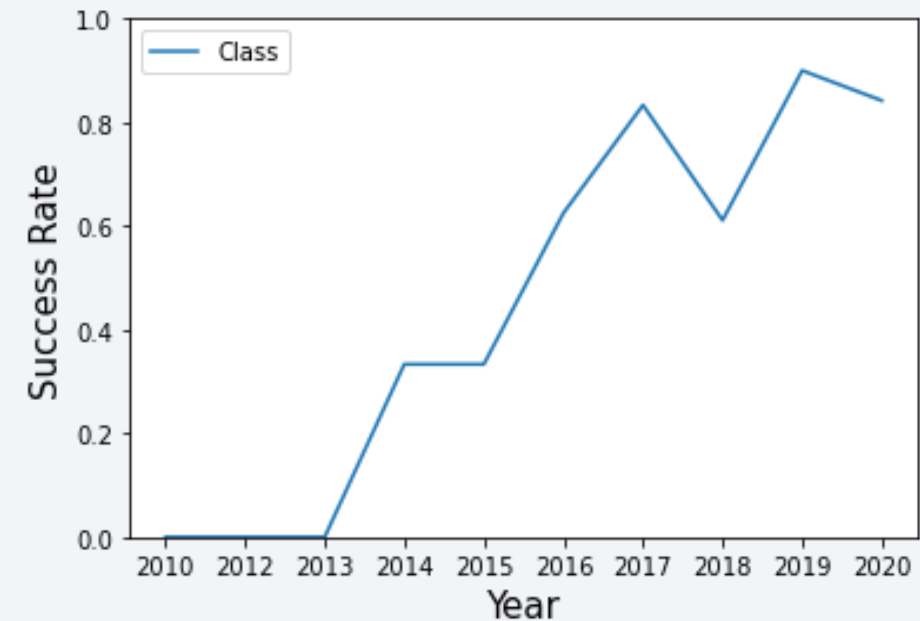
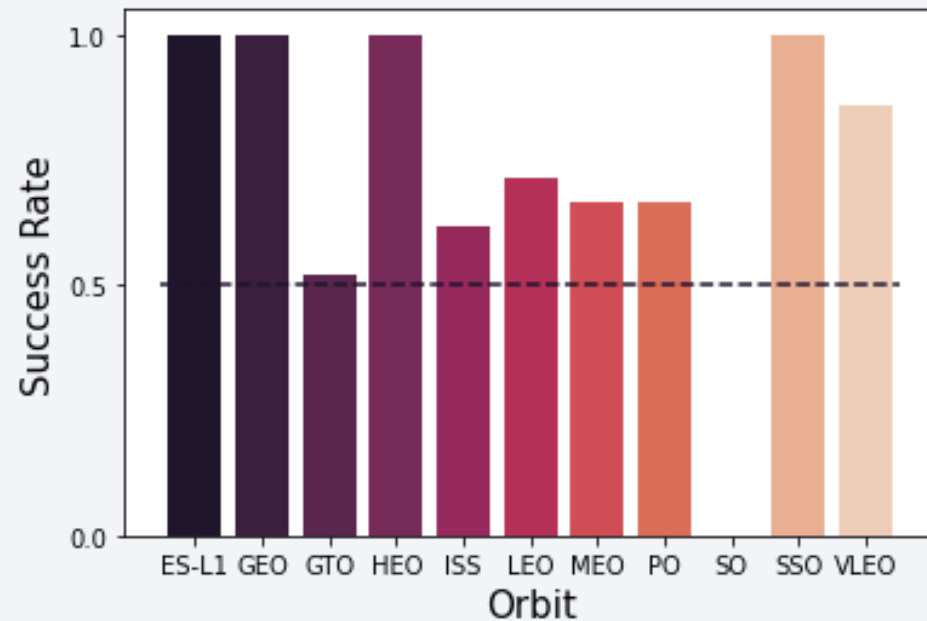
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# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

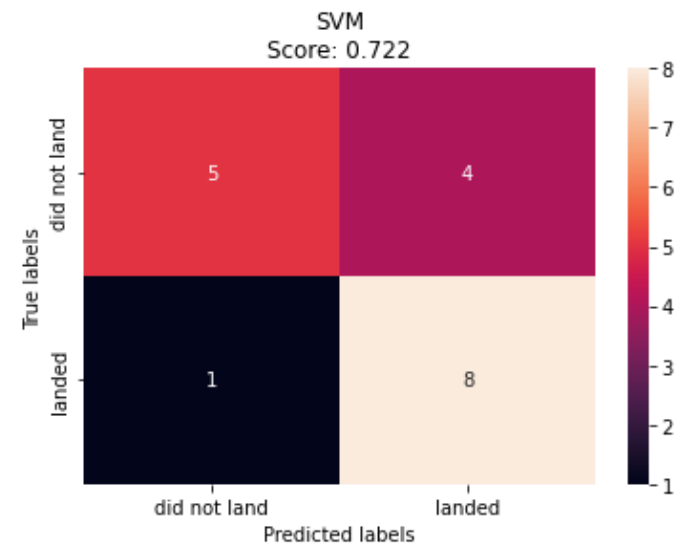
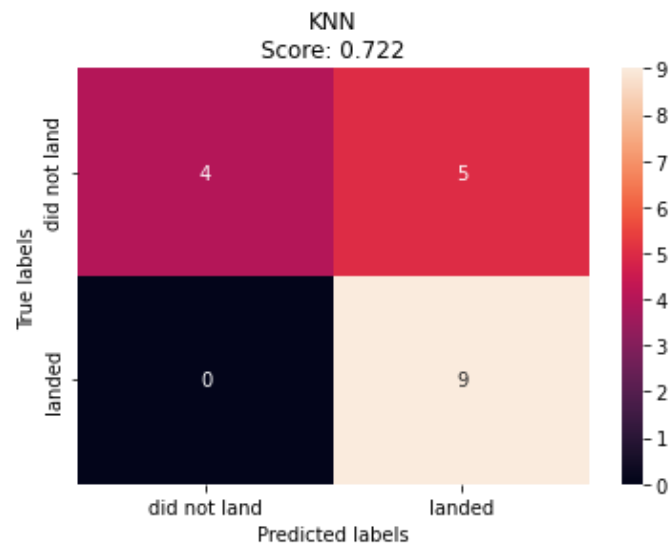
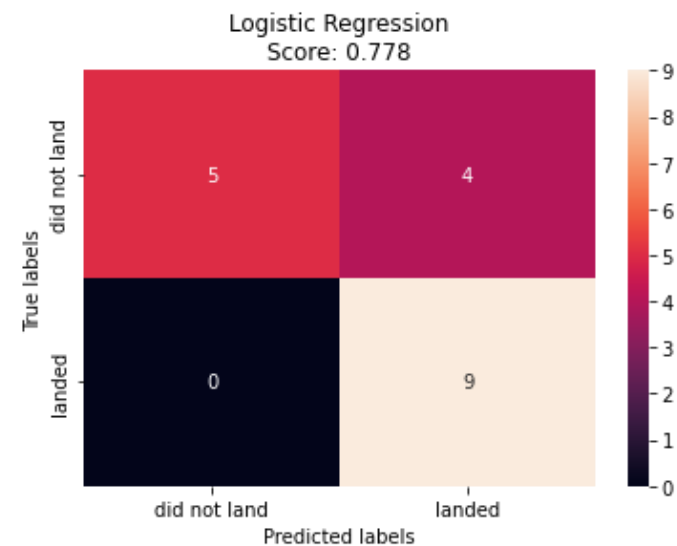
# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

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Several classification models to predict launches:

- Logistic Regression
- SVM
- Decision Tree
- KNN

# Classification Accuracy





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